



Atlanta City Council District 3

Castleberry Hill
Dixie Hills Community
English Avenue
Grove Park
Holly Street
Howell Station Neighborhood
Hunter Hills
Knight Park

Lincoln Manor
Mayson Turner
Urban Villa
Vine City
Washington Park

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CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT PROFILE '06

PARKS

Maddox Park
Anderson Park
Verbena Street Playlot
Tremont Playlot
Grove Park
Washington Park
Mozley Park
Ashby Circle Playlot
Knight Park
Gertrude Place
J.F. Kennedy Park
Home Park
Charles L. Harper Memorial Park



City Council District 3 is an urban community on the west side of Atlanta that extends from the Georgia Dome on the East to H.E. Holmes Avenue on the West. The District contains more than 13 neighborhoods and all or part of neighborhood planning units (NPUs) E, J, K, L and M. The District features some of Atlanta's economically challenged neighborhoods; much of District 3 is within the Empowerment Zone.

District 3 has the seventh highest park acreage among all districts. The average Council District contains slightly more than 297 acres; District 3 contains only 192. Washington Park contains one of three Natatoriums in the City of Atlanta; only District 12 contains more recreation centers than District 3.

Grove, Washington and Maddox Parks all benefit from active community support. The Northwest Youth Foundation has taken a very active role in improving Maddox Park and hopes to provide programming for youth in the park. The Vine City Civic Association worked hard to create Vine City Park in the shadow of the Georgia Dome. In 2005, VCCA worked with Park Pride to create a master plan for their new park. The Police Action League (PAL) provides programming and operated the recreation center in Anderson Park, which has a PATH Foundation Trail.

The Atlanta BeltLine project will have a significant impact on District 3. The proposed transit and trail will connect Washington Park in the south to Maddox Park and on the north. The BeltLine project proposes to expand Maddox Park by 62 acres and create a 350 plus West Side Park just to the north. The West Side Park, part of which will be in District 3, would be the largest park in the City.



The quality of life of a great city is determined by the character of its public spaces, where residents meet, shop, do business, play or simply wander. Within the public realm, no area plays a more important role in our quality of life than parks and greenspace.

Each and every day, parks and greenspace improve Atlanta's quality of life. They clean the air, filter polluted water and help keep children off the street. Parks improve physical health, promote mental well-being and help children learn. Parks help reduce crime and strengthen the economy. Perhaps most importantly, parks unite neighbors, foster friendships and build community.

The City of Atlanta has 389 parks totaling 3570 acres. Atlanta's Park System is among the smallest park systems for a major American City. Among the nation's 25 largest cities, Atlanta has the smallest percentage of land dedicated to parks. The good news is that Atlanta has made significant investments in its park system in the last several years. The 2006 budget increased park funding by nearly \$3 million, a 10% increase. The BeltLine promises to add more than 1000 acres of new parks, and the City passed a three-year \$105 million bond for parks and greenspace. Given the commitment of the Mayor and Council, Atlanta's park future appears bright.

FAST FACTS - DISTRICT 3

Number of Parks	25
Parks ≥ 1 Acre	12
Total Park Acres	192.22
Largest Park	Anderson
Playgrounds	11
Ballfields	9
Tennis Courts	17
Outdoor Basketball Courts	4
Recreation Centers	5